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Pike Fights set for Tuesday

Tickets are now available for Pike Fights VI to be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Lady Pacer Fieldhouse. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$3 at the UC Information Desk or for \$5 the day of the event. All proceeds will benefit Infant Stimulation.

SAC seeking comedians

Anyone interested in auditioning for the SAC Comedy Night Thursday, April 27, should contact Justin Harrison at 8411 to schedule an appointment.

New museum exhibit opens

"Outstanding Science Fair Projects" will be exhibited through May 5 at the University Museum in Holland McCombs Center. Contact Dr. S.K. Airee, the director of the University Museum at 587-7454 for more info.

OPEN IT...

PACER FORUM

Isn't it funny how movies reflect real life? (Actually, they don't; that's just another half-cocked idea of Jason Tippi's.)

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If only there were more time... W. Matt shares topics he could have written columns on.

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SINGING SISTERS



Alpha Omicron Pi won 'Best of Show' at the Alpha Phi Omega All-Sing Saturday. AOPi sang songs from the movie "Sister Act." The charity event raised \$11,500 for Habitat for Humanity.

Photo Courtesy Gary Richardson

All-Sing raises \$11,500 for Habitat

BRIAN HOLLAND
Executive Editor

Alpha Phi Omega's 34th annual All-Sing produced several winners Saturday night.

Alpha Omicron Pi won "Best of Show" in the overall competition and second place in the sorority division; Chi Omega won first place in the sorority division; Alpha Tau Omega won first place in the fraternity division; and Kappa Alpha Order took second place in the fraternity division.

But the biggest winner was Habitat for Humanity, the charity organization whose board of directors was presented a \$11,500 check at

the event's conclusion.

"It gives people a good feeling that they can come and compete and be entertained and know that they're helping a good cause," said Jennifer Yant, All-Sing coordinator for Alpha Phi Omega, a coed service fraternity.

A Phi O sold 1,700 tickets to the event, which drew students, faculty, alumni and parents to see nine greek organizations sing "The Sounds of the Silver Screen," which was the theme of the event.

Alpha Omicron Pi sorority won "Best of Show," with its tribute to the movie "Sister Act."

"We've wanted to do 'Sister Act' for a long time, but we've never had an opportunity because the theme

(was never compatible)," said Heather Pickney, All-Sing coordinator for Alpha Omicron Pi. "As soon as we heard this year's theme, we immediately agreed on 'Sister Act.'"

There was some confusion as to why AOPi placed second behind Chi Omega in the sorority division yet won "Best of Show." Yant said the winners in the fraternity and sorority divisions were chosen based on a scorecard of five judges. The scorecard focused heavily on groups' vocal quality, Yant said.

However, the "Best of Show," she said, was selected by a consensus of the judges; and the criteria had a

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Student commits suicide by hanging

BRIAN HOLLAND
Executive Editor

A Japanese UTM student was found dead at her apartment Tuesday after police say she committed suicide by hanging herself.

Tomoko Kuramoto, a 22-year-old junior Social Work major from Tokyo, was found dead by friends Tuesday afternoon at her apartment in University Courts.

Preliminary results of an autopsy performed at Memphis Regional Forensics Center indicated Wednesday that Kuramoto died of self-inflicted strangulation, according to UTM Police reports.

Reports indicated, officers recovered several notes and letters Kuramoto left around her apartment describing her deep state of depression.

Kuramoto's body was discovered when friends went to her apartment around 1 p.m. Tuesday concerned because she had not been answering the phone.

They became even more concerned when they discovered her car in the parking lot, and, when she didn't answer the door, they had a housing official unlock the door for them, police reports say.

The friends discovered Kuramoto dead in her bedroom. According to police reports, she had hanged herself from a curtain rod.

Police determined Kuramoto had likely been dead for at least 36 hours before being discovered.

According to reports, police inter-
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Fields: 'Intolerable' working conditions led to resignation

SHANE MERCER
Copy Editor

Dr. Rebecca Fields told The Pacer this week that "intolerable" working conditions in the Social Work Department prompted her resignation.

Fields, an assistant professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, handed in her resignation

at the beginning of March, prompting a student outcry.

"The circumstances that led to my resignation started to develop shortly after my arrival and worsened over time," Fields said Monday.

No specifics as to the reason for her resignation have officially been given, but a student who wished to remain unnamed said that unfair

treatment of Fields "by (Assistant Professor Lola) Butler was the major cause of her resignation." Other students expressed the same sentiments.

Butler is the director of the Social Work Department. She denied having mistreated Fields, saying that she was "certainly not" the major cause of her resigning.

"I have no personal conflict with Dr. Fields," Butler said. "She has made the decision to leave, and I support her decision."

Butler said not only was there no personal conflict, but she never asked Fields to leave.

"If I had wanted her to leave I would have asked her to, and I did
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Opinion

THE PACER SAYS...

Everyone loses with Fields' resignation

The resignation of Dr. Rebecca Fields from the Social Work Department creates a great loss for the students who loved her, but — even worse — it also sends a disturbing message about UTM and its Social Work program.

When Fields announced her resignation, her students reacted with strong support for this first-year professor to stay. Apparently, there were

intradepartmental conflicts between Fields and other members of the Social Work Department. Because the students didn't want to lose the professor they felt they were learning the most from, they urged her to reconsider her resignation.

The students even arranged a meeting with Dr. Robert Smith, dean of the School of Arts and

Sciences. When they pleaded with him to encourage Fields to stay, he said he had talked to Fields and expressed his support to her before she officially resigned.

As students fought for their professor to stay, they said they were put in the difficult situation of having to take sides among the professors in the Social Work Department. But regardless of student protest or encouragement from Smith, Fields will be gone at the end of the semester. The problems apparently could not be resolved.

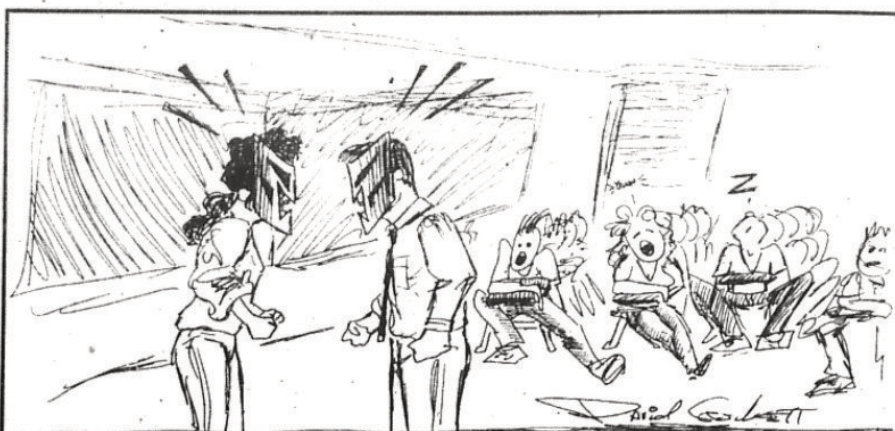
The obvious irony of this whole situation is that it occurred in the Social Work Department. If they can't work their own problems out, how can they teach students to do the same?

Currently, the Social Work Department is going through the accreditation process, and there are indications that it will probably be successful. Yet, unresolved conflicts seem to show that the department may not be living up to their imminent accreditation standards.

Also, when Tennessee schools are striving to improve the diversity of their professorial staffs, it seems that more should have been done to retain Fields — a black woman — either from an administrative standpoint or from inside the department. With black students at 14.9 percent on campus and black UTM faculty at 4.2 percent, the loss of one black faculty member severely hurts the effort to achieve parity.

We are not suggesting foul play in this situation, we are just pointing out the irony and shame surrounding Fields' resignation.

Her resignation may be the best answer to her problem, the department's problem or UTM's problem. However, it was not the best for students' problem, and it does not reflect well on the Social Work Department.



Students waited patiently for the Social Work professors to teach them how to solve people's problems.

YOU SAY...

Success is not based only on your GPA

Dear Editor,

I am a black female Mechanical Engineering major, and I am very concerned with the small number of minority Engineering majors here at UTM. "Minority," at UTM, would include everyone outside of the Caucasian race.

There are many minorities struggling to maintain a "C" average. It would be encouraging to all minorities to adopt an attitude of total dedication. Failing a class does not mean your major area is not for you. You may need to study a little harder than the next person. I know there comes a point when reality needs to be faced, but, before you quit, do a little soul searching.

I am aware that the world suggests that success comes to those who have high GPAs. That is not necessarily true. I know that what you learn contributes to success, but I believe success comes with an attitude. If you have the attitude that success is inevitable, then success will be inevitable.

There was a black man named W.E.B. Dubois. He is known for his belief that there is a "talented tenth" of black people. Dubois believed that blacks are good for more than manual labor. He believed there are 10 percent of us capable of using our minds and being able to think. The only problem I have with his belief is that I believe there is more than 10 percent. My message to you is to never doubt that you are not part of that talented tenth. If every black student takes this attitude, the numbers are sure to increase from that talented tenth to much higher numbers.

Let us, as a group, dedicate our-

selves to this proposition: I will succeed at all costs. I may stumble, yet I will not fall. If I fall, I will get up. I will not allow myself to be a statistic that is negative. I will succeed. Jesse Jackson was right. I am somebody.

We, as minorities, must be advocates of this philosophy. If you believe you are somebody, failures can only give you a stronger determination to succeed.

I am somebody. You are somebody.

Tara Bradley
Sophomore

Mechanical Engineering Major

Pacer baseball coverage doesn't follow through

Dear Editor,

For those students and faculty out there who were turned off by the baseball strike, guess what? College baseball is still alive. Yes, we, the Pacers, are still taking part in "America's Favorite Pastime." We do, however, understand why many of you may be confused, due to the lack of sufficient coverage. It seems as if the most publicity the baseball team has had was when three of our pitchers were booted out of school for vandalism. (We got a front-page headline for that one, of course.)

André, for your information, we are aware that we are experiencing a rough season, but to open the paper and be reminded about how Tennessee Tech "romped" us last weekend was a bit insulting, considering you weren't even there to see the games.

It seems as though you just opened up the scorebook or read a box score in another newspaper to get your information. We hope that your statement of Tech's Billy Pride "living up to his name" was in no way insinuating that we, the Pacers, have no pride. We can assure you that anyone who

devotes more than 20 hours per week in practicing and playing 53 games in 79 days has pride.

Because of André's failure to do so, we will take this opportunity to inform you of some of our bright spots. At this time, Bryan Bullington leads the conference in hitting with a .440-batting average, with Daisuke Oda also ranking in the top five. This past weekend at Tech, Bullington was 'six for 10 with three homers to start the conference season. Overall, the team ranks third in the conference in hitting.

There are a few people out there who don't have to be reminded of our bright spots; these are the ones who continue to support Pacer baseball despite its shortcomings. To those fans and supporting faculty members, we would like to say thank you. See you at the field, André. (Call Kevin Rogers if you need directions.)

Trent Latta
Jay Trussler
UTM Baseball

Clinton does not know what time it is

Dear Editor,

"Boy. Ask him what time it is, and you get a long speech on how to build a clock." We all know such people. At least most of them actually know clock making because they have actually done it. Others don't have a clue.

President Clinton is in the latter class. He not only tells us how to build a clock, but throws in a long lecture on the meaning of time and then insists a big government program — which he seems to make up as he talks — is needed to educate the rest of us.

On top of that, this president doesn't seem to know what time it is. He still thinks it's the 1960s.

Tom Gniewek
Camden

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It goes back to the individual

It's dangerous to let me watch movies; I end up drawing all sorts of parallels between what's on the screen and what's in the "real world." For example, I saw Charlie Sheen in "The Chase" shortly before this whole O.J. Simpson thing got started, and I'm still not convinced Charlie didn't kill Nicole and Ron. He's been hanging with Kato, after all — maybe he's wanting inside info on whether or not they're close to catching him.

A couple of films I've seen lately have left me thinking a lot about society and morals and humanity. One of my classes has watched "Apocalypse Now" while discussing the book that inspired it, Conrad's "Heart of Darkness." The other is one I just watched with some friends, "Bob Roberts," a Tim Robbins film from the '92 election season.

"Bob Roberts" scares me because Robbins was so damnably right in his observations and predictions. It shows a reactionary folk singer running for the Pennsylvania Senate; a "rebel conservative" attacking the ideals of the '60s and winning. Sounds a lot like the '94 elections to me — we've even got Sonny Bono in Washington. Roberts will, and does, do anything to get elected — and there's blood on his hands, too, just like some other candidates from the '94 elections. (Only Ollie lost and is now a talk radio host, right at home in a media built on manipulation through lies and paranoia.)



JASON TIPPITT
Bizarro Files

"Apocalypse Now" tracks a Green Beret named Willard as he journeys up a river to find the mad colonel Kurtz (Marlon Brando); Kurtz has managed to live in the heart of his own darkness so long

that he has become essentially amoral. Francis Ford Coppola follows Willard (played by Martin Sheen, Charlie's dad — hmmm) as he encounters some of the same horrors Kurtz did on his downward spiral, but in the end Willard manages not to become another Kurtz. This movie asks this question: Is there a killer inside each and every one of us?

How far is any given person from complete depravity? It seems that in our day morals are more a matter of convenience than conviction; for proof, we need only look to our churches and count the number of hangers in the pews and choir benches. Are morals nothing more than another set of clothes, one we take off when it's not convenient?

Don't throw family values and Armageddon at me. They've both been abused as political rhetoric; the former is often a euphemism for "hate your neighbor," and the Reagan camp used the latter to convince an Appalachian town to mess up its ecosystem, telling them "It doesn't matter anyway, the world will end before it matters."

Politicians won't save us.

Family does play a big role, I admit. Society has suffered since people decided divorce was better than attempting to save a marriage. But where does that decision come from? The individual. It all goes back to him — the politicians don't want to tell us that, because real individual responsibility, beyond mere rhetoric, puts us all on the same level, and The Powers That Be like the caste system just fine.

A lot of tough questions come down to two types of choices: the easy ones and the right ones. Sometimes we're lucky and they're the same, but most of the time they aren't even close. It's easier to bow to peer pressure and drink (or have sex, or assault a homosexual, whatever); it's easier to execute criminals than to fix the sources of problems; it's easier to get on talk radio or write a letter to the newspaper and blame political parties for societal problems than to offer any real solutions; it's easier to stigmatize the poor than to fix the economy; it's easier to steal than to work, to kill than to negotiate.

Has (insert your own political whipping-boy here) led to the downfall of civilization? Are times worse than they ever have been? Or is this newfound sense of horror just a glimpse at how depraved the human race has been all along?

Tippitt is a senior English/Philosophy major from Camden, Tenn. He was on the grassy knoll.

I knew it would happen. I knew I would let some really poignant column topics pass me by as I wasted this space with cheesy, inane ramblings about my personal life, my underwear or my favorite menu items from a certain nameless restaurant.

With three papers left to go, I need to make up for lost time and

Captain Crunch — The past few weeks there has not been any Captain Crunch in the cereal bins in the cafeteria. The official reason is that they have to wait until one of the extra tubs of Cheerios is eaten before they replace the missing Captain Crunch. If this campus doesn't start munching on some Cheerios, somebody is gonna get

THINGS THAT MAKE YOU GO

HMMM ...

By W. Matt Meyer



do what all good writers do when they can't think of anything to write — make a list.

If I had more time this semester, I bet I could write an entire column about:

Laundry — One time, when I was a freshman, I put my laundry in, turned the machine on and left. When I came back to my load, I realized I forgot to put any detergent in it. I thought I was washing my clothes, when actually I had just gotten them wet and spun them around. Maybe they weren't clean, but they enjoyed the ride. That's all that mattered, I guess.

Time Change — I don't know about you, but the first day after the time change never makes any sense. I think the government planned the whole daylight savings thing just to throw everybody off. I can't help but to think that if they tried to legislate an act similar to this today, there would be a protest from merchants who sold clocks and watches, claiming that they would have to hire extra labor to reset all their timepieces.

their sweet little Honeycomb Apple Jack-ed all over the place.

Social Work program — I haven't seen this much infighting between a group of educators since the time the English profs fought over who got to teach "Sex in Literature: A Survey."

SAC and Heather Stigall — Normally, when organizations have events, the people who are in charge try to show up. Members of the Café House Committee have busted their butts this semester to entertain the campus and are possibly the most visible part of the SAC. Yet, Heather Stigall — the one who is getting paid to be on SAC — has hardly been to any of the shows. Maybe she still has jet lag from her trip to California and has been too tired to attend. Café House deserves a lot more from its higher-ups in the SAC. If SAC is going to be a real organization on campus, it's going to have to start acting like one — from the top down.

The protest — Somebody threw a party and nobody came. There was supposed to be a rally against the Republican congress at noon on the last two Wednesdays on the UC patio. My friends Jason Tippet and Jerianne Thompson went to see what was going on last week. They found a whole bunch of nothing. I don't think this campus can even spell political activism, much less practice it. Also, assuming everyone knows about the Contract With America — and that is a big assumption — I question if there are enough Democrats on this campus to constitute a rally. Would it just be Tippet and Dr. Richard Chesteen?

My theory — I have a theory. Have you ever noticed how hot it is in the dorm basements? My theory is that it is because of all the laundry dryers. I know it's crazy, but I'm working on it. Like I said, it's just a theory.

Any of these topics — I could have picked any of these topics. But I chose to write about toilet paper and boxer-shorts. Maybe I should have written a column on whether I have an anal fixation. Hmmm ...

Meyer is a senior Communications major from Jackson. He slices! He dices! And he makes great french fries!

Campus Quotes

compiled by Jack D. Elliott

PICKUP



"LET'S DO LUNCH."

Jason Gullede, Senior



"IF I WAS THE STAR AND YOU WERE THE LIGHT, WE COULD GET TOGETHER AND TWINKLE TONIGHT."

Eric Jenkins, Senior



"HI."

Dwight Jones, Senior

What's your favorite pickup/rejection line?

REJECTION



"STEP OFF."

Niki Claybrook, Sophomore



"NOT IN MY LIFETIME AND NOT IN YOURS."

Lana Williams, Senior



"SORRY, BUT HEY, AT LEAST YOU'RE BETTER THAN MATT MEYER!"

Shannon Cartier, Junior

New Paul Meek library should be operational for first summer session

MATT MONTGOMERY
Associate News Editor

Students attending this year's summer sessions will have a library that doesn't require a map and walking shoes.

The entire library should be operational by the first day of the summer session with two main exceptions, said Library Director Joel Stowers.

The special collections area, which houses papers written by people such as ex-Governor Ned Ray McWherter and Holland McCombs, may not be ready by then.

Also, funding for the computer lab is currently unavailable.

"Funding was not available to furnish that, so we will try to get private donors or administration to make that top priority," Stowers said.

New facets of the library should be open for the summer, too. A 24-hour study area, 12 group-study areas and 12 individual-study areas for faculty

and graduate students are included in the additions.

The entire book section will be moved starting May 11 and should be complete by May 29, if not sooner, Stowers said.

"The stacks that house the books will require about a month to move, so we started moving those on Tuesday," Stowers said.

The carpeting should be finished in the next couple of weeks, and the new furniture will be installed beginning next Monday.

UTM hired Library Movers of America to handle the move, and UTM students may be needed to help starting May 11, said Public Services Librarian Jim Nance.

If needed, students would work 10 hours a day, seven days a week for \$5 per hour, Nance said.

A sign-up sheet is located at the Circulation Desk in Clement Hall for anyone interested in helping with the move.

ROLLING THE DICE



Students play a game of craps at the SGA/SAC-sponsored Casino Night Monday. Prizes donated by area merchants were raffled off at the end of the evening. The \$200 in proceeds were donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Photo by Lisa Barry

SUICIDE: Student hanged herself at University Courts

From the cover...

viewed Kuramoto's friends, who indicated they were aware she had been depressed about personal problems. None of those interviewed, however, indicated hearing Kuramoto discuss suicide.

Kuramoto is described by professors as a conscientious student.

"She was a very good student and very attentive," said Social Work professor Dr. Rebecca Fields. "She had

a good disposition — I found her to be bright and happy.

"She was very studious — she would come to me and sit for long periods of time to clarify words because of the language barrier."

John Eisterhold, dean of International Programs, knew Kuramoto from when she had worked as a translator earlier this semester.

"I had a very high opinion of her," Eisterhold said. "She worked as a

translator for us and was very good, very conscientious. We had a lot of confidence in her.

"She was just a normal kid," he said. "She was a great student — very interested in the field of Social Work and in cross-cultural experiences. She loved athletics — loved Pacer basketball."

Dr. Miriam Page, who had Kuramoto in her English 112 class this semester, also described her as a

conscientious student.

"She was a wonderful girl," Page said. "I was very impressed with her. She seemed to be very conscientious and hard working."

Page said Kuramoto gave no indication in class that anything was bothering her.

"I hadn't noticed anything," she said.

"It shocked us all. She seemed perfectly okay."

**THERE will be
NO PACER NEXT
WEEK BECAUSE OF
Good Friday.**

**We'll miss
you, too.**

Cast your votes now! Choose three students, one teacher and one administrator of the year.

STUDENTS: CIRCLE THREE

Julianne Coleman	Rachael Hurt
Scot Crocker	Jena Johnson
Ruberta Dean	Trent Latta
Bethanie Delfunt	Greg Lee
Cherie Gillespie	Ricky May
Darcia Gresham	Hope Neely
Sara Harlan	Melanie Peerman
Chastity Higdon	Penny Rich
Jeremy Hopper	Tara Tansil

TEACHERS: CIRCLE ONE

David Gibson	Sharon Robertson
Michael Gibson	William Zachry
Ampalavana Nathakumar	Rustin Greene

WRITE IN AN ADMINISTRATOR
(No nominations were submitted.)

NAME: _____

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News In Brief...

Phi Kappa Phi banquet tickets will be on sale April 10-18 at the UC Information Desk. The cost is \$8.50. The banquet will be held 7:30 p.m. on April 25.

The Political Science Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in 207 UC. Dr. Ted Mosch will be the guest speaker; he will be giving his "reflections of a traveler."

The Social Work Club will host an AIDS Awareness and Education Forum at 7 p.m. April 10 in Humanities Auditorium.

The Sigma Xi awards banquet will be held at 6:15 p.m. April 17 in the UC Bostwick Wyman, professor of mathematics at Ohio State University, will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Humanities Auditorium. His speech is titled "Computer Algebra Systems: An Introduction for Faculty" and is open to students, faculty and guests.

A "Design an International Week T-shirt" competition is being sponsored by Larry Udry, instructor of International Programs. All entries must include this year's theme, "TIEP — Twenty Years of Bringing the World Together," must use no more than three colors on a white background and will be judged by an independent panel. The winner will receive a free T-shirt with his/her design on it. Designs must be turned into Udry in 131 Gooch by 2 p.m. Wednesday.

International Week T-shirts are now on sale. Each T-shirt is \$10 and has this year's theme on it, "TIEP — Twenty Years of Bringing the World Together." Sign up with Loretta in 125 Gooch by 2 p.m. April 13.

The Rodeo & Round-Up Days Window Display Contest will be held April 17-18. Windows of downtown businesses will be available for groups to decorate with a rodeo/western theme. Student organizations are invited to participate. The winning group will receive \$50 and a plaque. The deadline to enter is April 13. Forms are available at the Apple Barrell on Lindell Street.

Pom Pon Squad tryouts will be held beginning 7 p.m. April 16 in the gymnastics room. Additional workshop days will be held at 3:15 p.m. April 17-19. Closed tryouts will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnastics room. You must have a 2.0 GPA from UTM or a 2.5 GPA if you transfer from another college. For more info contact Charles Rayburn in the P.E. Complex at 7310 or 7312.

PRSSA will meet at 4 p.m. today in 316 Gooch. There will be food served (if everyone brings some).

Women in Communications Inc. will meet at 4 p.m. April 19 in 311 Gooch to discuss attending the program "Freedom Speaks: The First Amendment, Who Needs It?" on April 21 at the Freedom Forum Center in Nashville. All Communications majors are invited to attend. A sign up sheet is on Teresa Collard's door, 305H Gooch. For more info contact Teresa Collard, Communications instructor, at 7557.

Cheerleader tryouts start at 7 p.m. Sunday in the gymnastics room. Workshop days are Sunday - Wednesday. Starting time will be 3:15 p.m. on Monday - Wednesday, also in the gymnastics room. Closed tryouts will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the gymnastics room. You must have a 2.0 GPA from UTM or a 2.5 GPA if you transfer from another college. For more info contact coach Charles Rayburn in the P.E. Complex at 7310 or 7312.

Prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Bible Study will be held at 7 p.m. Thursdays. Locations will be posted in the UC. For more info call Yolanda Neely 8296 or Stephanie McDowell at 8554.

Upcoming Campus Interviews — Memphis City Schools will interview for teaching vacancies on April 21. Promus will interview students for summer employment positions in Memphis on April 25. Shelby County Schools will interview for various teaching positions on April 26. All campus interviews are held in the Employment Information Center. For more info or to schedule an interview contact the center in 250 UC.

The American Red Cross is offering courses to be held on a regular basis. Classes can be tailored to your needs. Standard First Aid/CPR is \$25. Community First Aid and Safety includes first aid as well as adult, child and infant CPR at \$30. Participant manual and certification is included with the course. To register, call the local chapter of the American Red Cross at 587-5948.

UTM Weight Control Program, Session II, will meet 5:30-7 p.m. April 10-June 12 in 310 Gooch. This program has proven to be successful in helping individuals get those extra pounds off and keep them off. The fee for this class is \$45. For more info or to register call the Department of Public Service at 587-7082.

The Tennessee Network of Volunteer Administrators is looking for outstanding volunteers in three categories: outstanding volunteer, outstanding volunteer administrator and outstanding national service volunteer. Three awards will be made for East, Middle and West Tennessee. Applications for nominations are due May 1. For more info call (615) 632-9250.

The American Hiking Society is looking for people who want to combine a vacation of excitement and fun with hard work as a part of the Volunteer Vacations program. Volunteer Vacations sends teams of volunteers into the back country, where they spend a ten-day "vacation" working on projects ranging from trail maintenance in Texas to bridge-building in Wyoming. There is a \$50 registration fee, payable with the application. For more info contact AHS Volunteer Vacations, P.O. Box 20160, Washington, D.C. 20041-2160, or call (703) 319-0084.

Tri Beta, an honors biological society, is recruiting new members. Meetings are held every other Tuesday in 210 Brehm. The next meeting will be April 18. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend.

Phi Alpha Theta, an honors history group, is accepting students who have completed 12 semester hours in history with at least a 3.01 GPA, have at least a 3.01 GPA in all other classes and are in the upper 35 percent of their respective class. The initiation fee is \$25 and chapter dues are \$5. Initiation will be in April. For more info contact Dr. Lonnie E. Maness in the History Department at 7468.

Sagebrush, a literary journal, is conducting poetry and fiction contests. Monetary prizes of \$300, \$200 and \$100 will be awarded. Poetry of any subject or style, 40 lines or less, and fiction of 2,500 word or less may be submitted. The deadline for entries is April 15. For more info send a SASE to Sagebrush-M10-40, P.O. Box 300805, Denver, CO 80203.

Submissions to News In Brief... must be turned in to 314 Gooch by 9 p.m. Monday.

Seniors register for classes by phone

MARK DAVENPORT
Production Assistant

For the first time, seniors will begin registering for fall '95 classes by phone on April 10.

Seniors should have already received information in the mail regarding the telephone registration system. Those who have not should contact the Registrar's Office.

Seniors will receive two appointment cards, one for phone registration (April 10-13) and one for walk-in registration (April 17-21). Students who wish to bypass telephone registration may register at their walk-in time. Also, those who experience problems registering or do not complete the registration process can come in at their walk-in time for assistance.

"Seniors who have passed 85 hours of credit and have not filed for senior standing, or those who have not signed up for both the subject and ACT Comp exit exams will not be able to register. The system will notify them that they have a senior encumbrance," said University Registrar Emily Knudsen.

Students will begin the registration process by dialing 1-800-876-5350 to access the telephone registration system.

The time for students to conduct telephone registration is limited to 15 minutes, and he or she will be notified when that time is up.

Next, the caller will enter his or her 9-digit student ID number and a 4-digit password before he/she can begin registering. The 4-digit password is the 2-digit month and the 2-digit day of the student's birthday. (For example, for someone born on April 7, the code would be 0407.)

Students who wish to change this code for security reasons should report to the Registrar's Office with an ID to obtain a new password. After the password is entered, a brief sponsor's message will play, and the caller will have the opportunity to accept or decline an offer designed specifically for students who use telephone registration.

Then, he or she will make a choice from the main menu: To add or enroll in a course, press 1; To drop a course, press 2; To hear a listing of your current schedule, press 3; To partial register, press 4; To complete or final register, press 5; To end this session, press 9.

Students will not be able to access the system before their scheduled time, but they can access it anytime afterwards to make changes or hear a listing of their classes, etc. Students will also be able to choose their meal plan when using the telephone registration system.

There are several things that students need to do before they actually begin phone registration. They must

meet with their adviser to select courses and have adviser approval entered into the computer. Students should also have a list of alternate courses ready when they register because of the time limit.

Students who experience problems or have questions about phone registration should contact the Registrar's Office at 7054.

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ALL-SING: Alpha Omicron Pi named 'Best of Show'

From the cover...

"In the past, 'Best of Show' was determined by who had the highest score overall," Yant said. "This year we allowed the judges to vote, and the competition was so tight that they unanimously named AOPi 'Best of Show,' despite their placing only second in the sorority division.

"The score sheet is set up primarily for the group that sounds the best," she said. "But it may not be the group that necessarily puts on the best show. The judges thought that AOPi's overall show quality was better, but maybe their vocal quality wasn't quite as good."

Judges had their work cut out for

them, with only 7.7 points out of a 100-point score card separating the highest and lowest scoring fraternity and only an eight-point difference among sororities.

"It was an incredible show," Yant said. "All of the groups did an exceptional job, and it was tough on the judges."

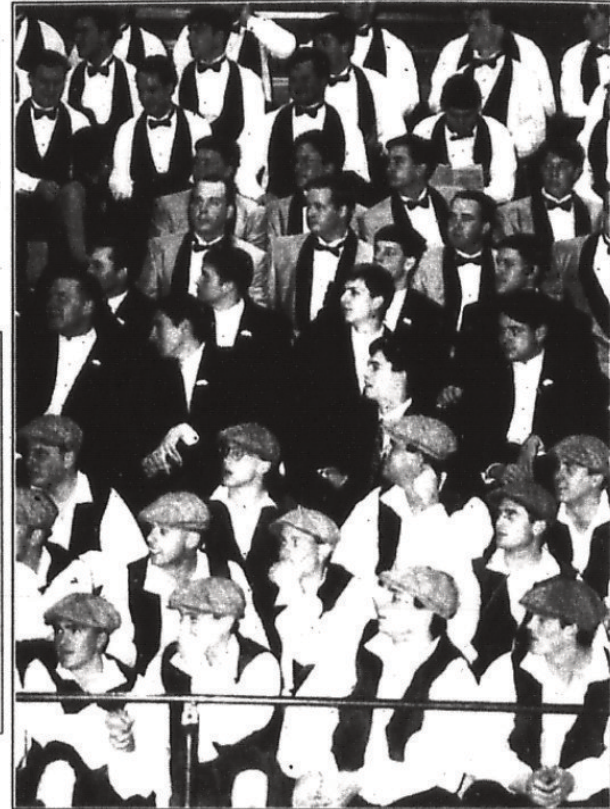


IMAGES OF ALL-SING '95

RIGHT: Tension mounts as fraternity members take their places before performing at All-Sing Saturday night. (From bottom) Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Order, Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

LEFT: L.H. "Cotton" Ivy served as master of ceremonies for All-Sing.

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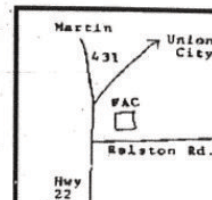


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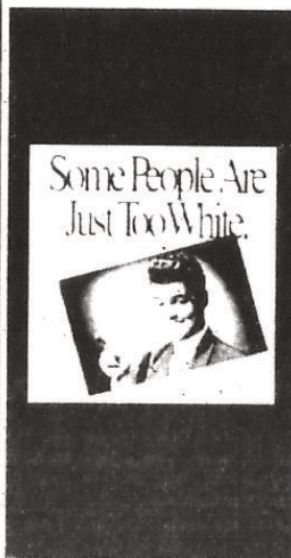
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Geology Department will offer alternative to Geology 112 for non-science majors

BRIAN HOLLAND
Executive Editor

The Department of Geology will offer an alternative class to Historical Geology 112 next year designed to be more practical to non-science majors.

The new course, Applied Geology 112, will focus on geological issues that will be of greater interest to lay

people, such as landfills and earthquakes. Historical Geology will still be offered for science majors but will go by the course number 112. Science majors will not get science credit for taking Practical Geology 112.

"Applied Geology will have more to do with things such as earthquake assessment and landfills which we think will be more meaningful to

non-science majors," said Dr. David Loebhaka, chair of the Department of Geology, Geography and Physics.

"But it will not develop the scientific vocabulary and time scales for people who are going on in science," he said. "So people who are either secondary education majors or science majors will take 111 and 113."

Applied Geology will be offered for the first time next spring.

FIELDS: Resigning prof meets with Chancellor

From the cover...

not," she said. "Her leaving puts us in a difficult position because of our work load."

There are only three Social Work teachers, Fields, Butler and assistant professor Cynthia West, and the department is seeking reaccreditation, so their work load is much higher than usual.

Fields said that the difficulties she had during her two semesters here "were specific to the Social Work Department."

"I did not receive ill treatment from the university as a whole, nor from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology," she said.

Chancellor Margaret Perry met with Fields on Thursday, March 30, to discuss the professor's experience at UTM. Fields said that she talked to the chancellor about the problems

surrounding her resignation in order to make things better for whoever comes to replace her.

Fields said Perry was warm and receptive to her ideas, but that the meeting was not to discuss her staying. Perry was unavailable for comment.

Fields said she would have liked to stay at UTM under more amiable circumstances and spoke very positively about the UTM Social Work students.

"The Social Work students have made a lasting impression," Fields said.

"I've found them to be bright, ambitious and eager to learn. Some of the students have impressed me to the extent I will never forget them."

Some of the Social Work majors are concerned about the impression that the Fields controversy will make

on the department.

"The departmental conflict is) not typifying the proper image of social workers, which we are striving to be," said Marquita Bryson, a junior, from Humboldt, Tenn.

"The fundamental question is 'Could it happen again?'" said Raymond Jenkins, a senior from Union City. "We can't afford to keep losing professors like this."

Jenkins was one of the students who helped organize the March 21 meeting between Social Work Majors and Dean of Arts and Sciences Robert Smith.

In the meeting students expressed concern about the intradepartmental conflict.

"I was proud (of the students who stood up for me), of course. Yet, I was also concerned that they would be reproved," Fields said.

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Purvis and Slack chosen for UTM Alumni Outstanding Teacher Award

JERIANNE THOMPSON
Managing Editor

Dr. Carroll Slack, professor of Biology, and Dr. Gracie Purvis, professor of Physical Education and Health, are the UTM Alumni Outstanding Teacher Award recipients for 1995.

"This is the highest teaching award we give on this campus," said Lucia Jones, chair of the UTM Alumni Outstanding Teacher Selection Committee and associate professor of Physical Education and Health.

Both Slack and Purvis were surprised, and grateful to receive this award.

"Some people somewhere went out of their way to make this possible, and I'm very appreciative," Slack said.

"I am humbled to receive this award," Purvis said. "I'm really honored that students, former and current, and colleagues nominated me."

Slack and Purvis will be presented awards here on Honors Day, Jones said. They will also be given a trip to UTK in July where outstanding teachers from all UT schools will be recognized and receive a monetary stipend from the alumni organization.

Ballots go out in November for nominations, Jones said. Teachers who are nominated by alumni, faculty and current students and have not received the award in the last 10 years are eligible.

The teachers who meet the criteria are given student evaluations in each of their classes. Those with the highest averages are the winners.

Forty-two teachers were nominated this year. Slack received his B.S. and M.S. at Northwest State University in Louisiana and his Ph.D. at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

Purvis received her B.S. at Winthrop College in Rock Hill, S.C.; her M.S. at UTK; and her Ph.D. from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

Dr. Slack

Dr. Carroll Slack teaches Biology 101 and four upper-division Microbiology courses. He's adviser for Beta Beta Beta, an honors biological society. He's also chair of the Budget and Economic Concerns Committee of the Faculty Senate.

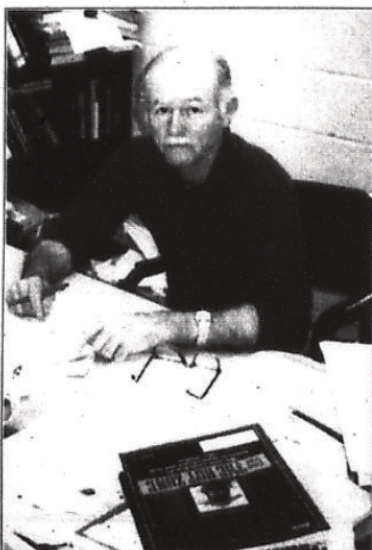
He's been teaching at UTM for 20 years. He said he enjoys working with micro-organisms and that "the little buggers" still have him puzzled. He also said he was surprised to receive the UTM Alumni Outstanding Teacher Award for 1995.

"That's not the kind of thing that I sit around and think about or look for," Slack said. "It was also a humbling experience. When you have a number of people go out of their way to bring a nice award to your door, it makes you stop and think, 'Hey, this is neat.'"

"In this line of work, you never know what you accomplish. You give exams, but you're never sure how much good you're doing."

Slack decided to enter this line of work when he was a grad student.

"The influence some of my teachers had on me as a grad student (influenced me to teach). They seemed to really enjoy what they did. They had the best of several things going for



OUTSTANDING TEACHER — Dr. Carroll Slack takes a break from grading papers.

Photo by Jerianne Thompson

them. They loved that area of Biology. They seemed to get a sense of accomplishment from helping. I get that same sense enjoyment when I see the light come on," he said.

In teaching, Slack said he uses what's available to him: blackboards and chalk, visual aids and the labs. But Slack does more than stand before the class and lecture.

"I try to make Biology and Microbiology real to them. A bacteriologist told me, as an undergraduate, 'bacteria can survive boiling, eat steel and you can find them everywhere,'" Slack said. "It's a very diverse group of organisms and a very applied area of Biology."

"Many areas of our life are impacted by micro-organisms; the foods we eat; pathogenic organisms, the leading cause of infectious diseases; even the cosmetics ladies wear have to be micro-free. It goes from one end of the spectrum to another. It's a very important area of Biology. Of course, I'm a bit biased."

Through his teaching, Slack has several bits of wisdom he tries to pass on to students.

"I try to impress that upper-division Microbiology and Biology is a changing science," Slack said. "Another thing, grades are important. For a number of years the first contact you'll have in jobs or grad school; people want to see your grades."

"Students also need to realize when they have a degree or degrees in hand, the learning process doesn't stop."

And Slack is a man who lives by his word — he said he is still learning things from his students.

"One of the more important things I have learned from students is that when I talk to a group of 20 students, they're perceiving what I say probably 20 different ways. Those who have the confidence to say things to me, sometimes they put it in a way I've never thought of before. Consequently, if I remember that and use it later on, I think that makes me a better teacher."

"One thing that surprised me when I first got into teaching was that top-notch students appreciate an instructor who comes to class on time and prepared and who has a message for them. Occasionally, on a Friday, some will tell me the message is more than they want to hear."

"Students appreciate a teacher who works hard because they are working hard, no doubt about that."

And his plans for the future?

"I plan to continue teaching the courses assigned to me and doing as I have done for the last 20 years in helping the kids," Slack said.

Dr. Purvis

When she decided to redesign her teaching style five years ago, Dr. Gracie Purvis studied the approaches used by outstanding teachers on this campus. It's only fitting that she now joins them.

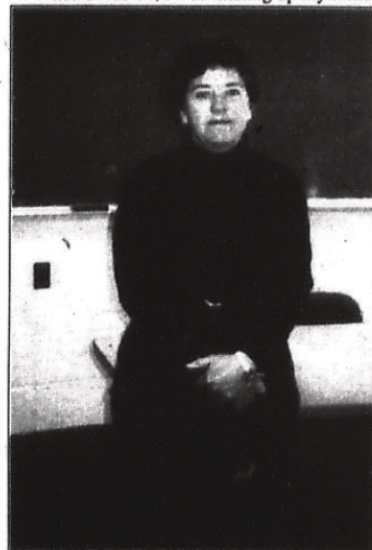
"When they called and told me, I thought about the people who had won it in the past," Purvis said. "I am so honored to think that I am joining that group of distinguished professors and colleagues on this campus."

"It almost leaves me speechless, and I'm never speechless. It's something I'll cherish for the rest of my professional career. It makes me believe what I'm doing can and does make a difference. These kinds of awards have a way of validating that idea."

Purvis teaches Health 111, Sports Management and Motor Development. She also instructs tennis and racquetball.

It seems she was destined to be a teacher. She decided at an early age not only to teach, but to be the best teacher she could be.

"When I was 14, I was making up my mind



OUTSTANDING TEACHER — Dr. Gracie Purvis relaxes after a hectic afternoon.

Photo by Jerianne Thompson

about what I wanted to do. I had a teacher who was the first girls' phys. ed. teacher at our junior high school. I thought she was the most caring, dynamic, smartest person I ever met. I had another teacher, a math teacher, who I had the same feelings about. So I thought I would

be a teacher," she said.

"In order to be the best, I had to get a Ph.D. I didn't waste any time getting that done."

UTM is something special to Purvis.

"When I graduated there were so few jobs in 1973. This was one of two advertised then," Purvis said. "I liked the people, I liked the campus. When I came here, I thought, 'I could work there for a while.' Twenty-one years later, I'm still here."

"Something very special on this campus is the love on the part of faculty for students. They are more engaged with the students than I had been used to. I found that attractive."

It was because of her love and dedication to her students that, five years ago, Purvis undertook a difficult task: redesigning her teaching style.

"I wanted to change from lecturing and testing to more inquiry that requires them (the students) to own the idea of the course. (I wanted) to teach in a style that hopefully readies students for the 21st century," Purvis said.

"All of my education was under the lecture system. Research tells us that, at least for today's students, lecture is not the best way to go, predominately. That doesn't mean it's not one part of the array."

"I went to several workshops and listened to great teachers talk about teaching. I read widely on the best practices in teaching, what the scholars were talking about. I talked to colleagues here who were ahead of me. It has taken me five years or just redesigning and thinking about redesigning and trying things and failing in order to get comfortable with a class not about lecture and more about inquiry."

One of the reasons why Purvis decided to change her style was because of the way students have changed.

"When I was in school in the '60's, school wasn't about getting a job. It was about educating yourself to be better. So much of how my students think about school now is, 'this is to get me a job.' It's an entirely different agenda," she said.

But some things have remained the same.

"Education is life-long learning. If you're truly an educated person, you never stop learning," Purvis said. "If you're learning just enough to get by, that's false learning."

"We've got to turn your head to the idea that education is about building skills in many areas. It's not just about getting a job. I try to teach with that idea."

"Part of being a good teacher is being up to date and deeply prepared in your discipline. It's also in communicating that to your students. That's the most difficult part," she said.

"I think students have different reasons for why they're in your class, and it is not always to learn the material. It may be simply to endure a required course and get through the curriculum. Your job becomes one of communicating your discipline to them."

Purvis plans to continue to enrich her ability to understand and communicate.

"My long-term goals are to go to California and study at the Critical Thinking Foundation for five days and to go to the World Conference on Critical Thinking," she said.

"If all else goes well, I'll retire in nine years and start my second career."

After Class

Skee-Phi Week continues; ΠΚΑ presents Pike Fights VI

Skee-Phi Week

The men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., and the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, continue the festivities of Skee-Phi week '95 through Sunday. The event is titled "The Alpha Renaissance... First of All Black Greeks."

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The Alphas will have an Aids Awareness booth 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Today** in the UC lobby and will provide informational pamphlets to students. A video will also be shown. Nurse educator Kay Howard will also lecture to students from noon - 1 p.m.

The Alpha Family will host the Miss Essence Pageant at 7 tonight in the UC Ballroom. Ladies will compete in several categories for

scholarships and the crowning of a new Miss Essence. Admission is \$4, and the attire is semi-formal.

Friday, the Alphas will host "Midnight Movie Madness" at midnight at the Ciné. The movie "Bad Boys" starring Will Smith and Martin Lawrence will be shown. Admission is \$2.

Skee-Phi will culminate **Saturday** with a Beach/Luau Party at Michael's Night Club from 10 p.m. until 2.

Fellowship at Oak Grove Baptist Church **Sunday** morning will end Skee-Phi Week.

ΑΔΠ Diamond Daze

Alpha Delta Pi will sponsor the last event of their first annual ΑΔΠ Diamond Daze today. During this week, fraternities and sororities have competed in various events to win points towards a winning trophy.

There will be a relay race at 3 p.m., behind the P.E. Complex.

First and second place awards will be given to fraternities and sororities, and a best participation award will also be given. Winners of events will be announced and

plaques will be given tonight.

"We're all excited about Diamond Daze, and it's for a really good cause. This is the biggest event we do, and we hope it can be successful so we can continue it in the years to come," said Karen Hensley, ΑΔΠ co-service chairman.

With the exception of the food and clothing drive, all proceeds will benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

ΖΤΑ Baseball Bar-B-Que

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha will sponsor their second annual Baseball B-B-Q from noon - 2 p.m. **Saturday**. The meals are catered by Damron's Barbecue and Meat Co. Tickets are \$5 per person, and proceeds will be donated to UTM's baseball team. For more info, contact Janet Pilcher at 587-2630.

ΑΟΠ Pageant

The 1995 Miss Weakley County Pageant, sponsored by the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, will be held at 2 p.m. **Sunday** in the UC ballroom.

The pageant is open to all female residents of Weakley County, ages 16-21. The entry fee is \$20 with a

portion of the proceeds going to the Arthritis Research Foundation.

Applications are available in area dress shops, Vincent Boot & Shoe in Martin or from any ΑΟΠ member. For more info, contact Stacey Vincent at 587-3213 or 587-6149.

Pike Fights VI

The men of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity will present their sixth annual Pike Fights, "Respect All... Fear No One," at 7 p.m. **Tuesday** in the Lady Pacer Fieldhouse.

The men of ΑΤΩ, ΣΑΕ, ΚΑ Order, ΑΓΡ and ΠΚΑ will compete.

Advance tickets are on sale for \$3 at the UC Information Desk and \$5 the day of the event. All proceeds will benefit Infant Stimulation.

Last year ΠΚΑ raised \$3,500 for Infant Stimulation, said Clint Davis, a senior Economics and Finance major from Goodlettsville, Tenn., and member of ΠΚΑ. Their goal is \$4,000 this year.

Project Determination

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Inc. continues their program, "Deltas Daring to make a Difference... Project Determination," in cooperation with Campus Community Outreach.

ΔΣΘ encourages children grades 6 to 12 to become a part of this program, said Karima Roman, a junior Biology major from Memphis and Public Relations Director of ΔΣΘ.

"This program is aimed at helping children develop high self-esteem," Roman said.

So far, the ladies of ΔΣΘ have spent time with the children playing basketball, tutoring and conducting a rap session to discuss children's future goals or any problems.

Meetings will be held 6-7:30 p.m. on **Wednesdays**, April 12 and 19, at McCabe United Methodist Church, located on 215 Hyndsvor Road.

If anyone knows any children who would like to be involved in this program, contact Karima Roman at 587-1304.

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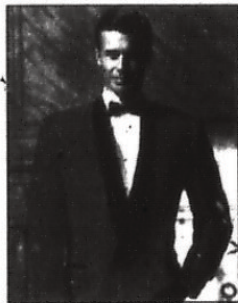


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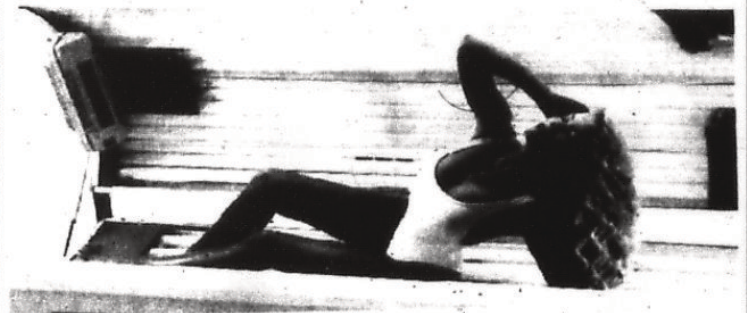
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AKA's will crown 'Miss Essence'

LAURIE GIBSON
Staff Writer

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. will hold the 11th annual Miss Essence Pageant at 7 tonight in the UC Ballroom.

Ten contestants will compete as they perform talent, display evening wear and answer a question.

The 10 contestants are: Kimberly Morgan, a freshman Communica-

tions major from Memphis; LaTonya Lyles, a junior Communications major from Memphis; Temple Mott, a junior Communi-

cations major from Memphis; Rosalind Pryor, a senior Criminal Justice major from Memphis; Brigitte Tubbs, a freshman Political Science/Pre-Law major from Memphis; Ardena Bradley, a freshman Criminal Justice major from Millington, Tenn.; Rena Harris, a freshman Nursing major from Memphis; Tamara Randle, a freshman Nursing major from Memphis; Lawanda Jackson, a freshman Nurs-

ing major from Memphis. Admission is \$4 at the door.

Students show semester's best art at exhibit

JENNIFER GRANT
Staff Writer

The Fine Arts building will display an art exhibit that presents the best works of art students through the end of the semester.

Some of the works presented include CD covers, paintings, book covers and pottery. There are also at least three life-size sculptures. Mediums include pastel, colored pencils, charcoal, ink wash, oil paint, pastel and paper collage, among others.

David McBeth, assistant professor of Art, Dance and Theatre, said that the works are selected from students in the classes of Beginning Ceramics, Design and Drawing. The best are then chosen out of this group.

Dr. Robert Jolly, professor of Art, Dance and Theatre, has also chosen works out of his classes in Oil Painting, Figure Drawing and Advanced Design.

Jolly said the exhibit is a nice change from the exhibits senior art majors are required to show, which often depict a certain style.

Jolly also said that the exhibits are nice because they promote the department as well as the students.

Carrot Top returns

BECKA ROBERTS
Staff Writer

Carrot Top, the most booked act ever on the college market, will be returning to UTM at 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, at Elam Center.

"This is a quality service of entertainment for the students of UTM at a fair price," said Richard Schoeberl, special activities coordinator for Campus Rec.

Carrot Top received rave reviews last year, and Schoeberl said he hopes this year's act has an even greater response.

Students may purchase general admission tickets for \$5, chairback

seats for \$7 and floor seats for \$8. Only general admission tickets may be purchased by the public for \$9. Tickets may be purchased in the UC and all tickets will be \$2 more at the door.

Carrot Top has appeared on "The Tonight Show," "MTV," "Evening at the Improv," "Revenge of the Nerds 2" and "Star Search." He was voted 1994 Stand-Up Comedian of the Year by the American Comedy Awards and the 1993 National Campus Comedian of the Year.

Carrot Top usually charges \$20,000, but UTM is hiring him at a discount for \$13,000 because of a cancellation last fall.



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Student/faculty opera, Russian chorus performance offered this weekend

JENNIFER GRANT
Staff Writer

The Harriet Fulton Performing Arts Theatre will host a variety of entertainment this week through a student/faculty opera production and a performance by the Russian State Chorus.

The Choral Societies' "Tales of Hoffmann," an opera by Jacques Offenbach, will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Tickets

will be \$5.

The opera is a collaboration of the efforts of students, faculty, staff and community members.

The production, directed by Dr. Christina Powers, is set in the 19th century and explores the many loves of an artist and poet named Hoffman.

Hoffman tells the tale of his many loves in the setting of a local tavern where he is talking to a group of students. The production explores the stages of human personality through

the storyteller's childhood, adolescence and maturity.

One of the things that adds variety to the play is that Hoffman is played by a different actor in every act, each representing a different age.

In addition to this, the opera incorporates death, lust and even sword fights.

Powers said it should be noted that the performance is an English opera. It also has a good balance of singing and dialogue.

"It's extremely entertaining and different from a lot of things people would see in a rural area," Powers

said.

Tickets and T-shirts will be sold in the lobby prior to the performance. The price of the shirts will be \$12 and will go to the opera fund.

Powers encourages those who attend to help give a name to the opera group by entering the "Name Our Troupe Contest."

Ballots will be available in the lobby. The winner of the contest will receive a free T-shirt and season tickets to next year's opera or operas.

But Fine Arts entertainment doesn't stop there. On Monday, the UTM Arts Council will present one

of world's leading choral ensembles, the Russian State Chorus.

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Baseball team loses three in OVC homestand against Morehead

ANDRE' JOHNSON
Sports Editor

The UTM baseball team's slump continued as the Pacers dropped a three-game conference series to Morehead State last weekend.

The Pacers suffered losses to the Golden Eagles in Saturday's double-header, 10-7 and 10-3, and lost Sunday's outing, 6-2.

MSU's Jason Gore pitched six innings for the win and contributed on offense as he connected for three hits and two RBIs.

Morehead State built an early lead over UTM (8-14) in the nightcap and cruised to the win.

MSU's Chad Blackwell and Chris Berry both had homers and drove in four runs each as the Golden Eagles combined for 16 hits in the nightcap victory.

Problems continued Sunday for the struggling Pacers as Morehead State, who held a one-run advantage going into the eighth inning, pulled away to a 6-2 win, sweeping UTM in its home-conference opener.

With two outs in the fifth inning, MSU's Gary Sapp, who entered Sunday's contest late, tripled home Bill Robinson. Darrell Cross would follow with a single to give the Eagles a 3-1 lead.

UTM tallied two runs in the next inning to pull within one run, after senior outfielder Mitch Dunn singled and advanced to third on Randall Harvey's single. Dunn later scored on a double play.

MSU scored some late runs which proved to be the turning point as the Golden Eagles, behind pitcher Louie Andrew (4-3), held on to win.

Junior Brian Rosebury was the losing pitcher for UTM in Sunday's game. The Pacers will travel to play Great Midwest Conference member Memphis at 6p.m. tonight in the Bluff City.

In Lady Pacer softball action:
At Georgia Tech's Buzz Classic:

The UTM Lady Pacer softball team won only one of four games on its visit to Atlanta last weekend in Georgia Tech's Buzz Classic.

The Lady Pacers' only victory came against the Maryland Lady Terapins of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The Lady Pacers will return to OVC action when they travel to play Morehead State, Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee State this weekend.

UTM football legend Nunamaker dies as a result of two-vehicle car crash

ANDRE' JOHNSON
Sports Editor

Julian is gone.

Former UTM All-American Julian Nunamaker of Manning, S. C., who was the assistant coach for Camden High School, died Feb. 25 at Jackson-Madison General Hospital from injuries he suffered during a two-vehicle accident Feb. 18.

A scholarship fund has been established in his memory.

Nunamaker lapsed into a coma after having talked and joked with doctors following the crash, which occurred at 3:45 p.m.

Despite showing signs of a miracle recovery, the former Buffalo Bills' draft pick, who played with superstar O. J. Simpson, never regained his consciousness and was declared brain dead on Thursday, Feb. 23.

Former UTM coach Robert Carroll, who is also assistant vice

chancellor for Alumni Affairs, did not hear of Nunamaker's accident until notified by former UTM player Mack Moody.

"I was shocked. Mack (Moody) called and told me that Julian had been in a car accident. When I went to his room to see him in Jackson, he was in a coma, but everyone had hopes for a recovery."

Though Nunamaker had a deep love for the game of football, the former All-American will always be remembered for his love of young people and his ways of motivating them through the world of athletics.

"Julian simply loved kids. He was a rare individual who loved people, and they were attracted to him by his warm personality," Carroll said.

"Julian will always be remembered as a tremendous athlete, but will also be equally recalled for his friendly attitude and sense of humor."

"Everybody liked Julian. I never

heard anyone say anything derogatory about him," Carroll said.

Nunamaker came to UTM as a walk-on who stood a slim, 6 foot three inches and weighed 168 pounds.

By his senior year, the former star defensive tackle was a dramatic 6 foot, 3.5 inches, and weighed a solid 240 pounds.

"Entering his senior year, this guy could run like a deer. Through hard work and dedication, he developed into an All-American," Carroll said.

"His example should serve as an

inspiration for young people."

Not only did Nunamaker become a serious force when taking the grid iron, but the former UTM star also took part in some of college football's honorable post-season bowl games.

Nunamaker played in the North-South, Blue-Gray and the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) All-Star games during his All-American era here at UTM, and drew great attention from pro scouts.

In 1969, Nunamaker was drafted
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ONE UTM LEGEND — Julian Nunamaker went from a 168-pound freshman walk-on to a 240-pound All-American while playing at UTM. Nunamaker died Feb. 25 after an auto accident.

Lady Pacer track squad finishes second in meet at Austin Peay State

MATT MONTGOMERY
Associate News Editor

The Lady Pacer track team placed second in its meet last weekend at Austin Peay State University.

The meet was short, about an hour and 15 minutes, so the athletes were not given much time to recover between events, said Brenda Webb, Lady Pacer track coach.

"There was a lot of strategy involved because we have a small team," Webb said. "The short meet did not allow our athletes much recovery time, so I felt we performed very well."

Roshanda Johnson led the Lady

Pacers, by placing third in the following events: long jump, 400-meter sprint and the 200-meter sprint. Her time of 27.4 seconds in the 200 set a UTM record.

Dorothy Denko continued her strong season setting a record of 10:45 to win the 3,000-meter run. She has set school records in each competition this season, Webb said.

Sevelite Gilbert, who is also a member of the Lady Pacer basketball team, led the javelin competition until the last throw of the event. She finished second in the meet.

The Lady Pacers take the field again this weekend at the University of Memphis.

UTM men's tennis team loses 5-4 decision to Western Kentucky

ANDRE' JOHNSON
Sports Editor

The UTM men's tennis team continued to struggle as coach Dennis Taylor's troops dropped a 5-4 decision to Western Kentucky last Saturday here in Martin.

The Pacers hold a 1-10 record and will take part in weekend matches at Morehead State, Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee State.

In singles competition, UTM's

Tiago Tregasin dropped the first match to WKU's Quincy Brown, 7-5, 6-1.

UTM returned the favor in the second singles match as Pelle Brunskog defeated Mike Curran, 6-3, 5-6, 6-4.

The Pacers' Craig Pettigrove and Klas Brunskog each captured victories in the next two matches. Pettigrove blanked WKU's Alex Lykos, 6-0, 6-0, and K. Brunskog followed, beating Danny Barnes, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2.

UTM's Chad Hailey and Jason Kay each suffered losses in the Pacers' final two singles matches.

Western Kentucky gained an even greater edge in doubles competition winning two of three matches, and that determined the outcome as the Hilltoppers broke the singles matches tie to win.

Tregasin paired up with P. Brunskog and dropped the opening doubles match to WKU's Brown and Curran, 8-3.

Pettigrove and K. Brunskog defeated WKU's Lykos and Barnes in the second match, 8-6.

The Hilltoppers defeated the Pacers in the final doubles match as Nunn paired up with Will Curtis to overcome Hailey and Kay, 8-1.

In Lady Pacer tennis action:
Lady Pacers 9, Murray State 0

Coach Dennis Taylor's defending OVC champion women's team shut out the Lady Racers of Murray State, 9-0, Tuesday.



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Sports

CRASH: Former UTM football All-American. Buffalo Bill's player. Nunamaker dies at age 49

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in the third round by the Buffalo Bills of the AFL where he played defensive end for three successful seasons.

Following his brief AFL career, Nunamaker received his first coaching job as head coach of Halls High School in 1971. A year later, he went to Bruceton to perform coaching duties at Hollow Rock/Bruceton Cen-

tral where he coached for two years. From there, Nunamaker moved on to Selmer where he coached at McNairy Central High School for two years.

Nunamaker is survived by his wife, Jennie, and his two daughters, Lee, who was an All-American basketball player at Union University and now works on a Jackson sports

talk show, and Jennie a freshman basketball player at Union.

Nunamaker's fraternity brothers, Phi Sigma Kappa, some former UTM teammates and other friends of the late star, have set up a drive to establish an honorable scholarship at UTM as a memorial to him.

Contributions to Nunamaker's fund can be sent to Alumni Affairs.

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